

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 287

By Williams

A RESOLUTION to congratulate the Cherokee High School Cheerleaders on winning the 2005 Eastern Cheerleaders Association National Invitational competition.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly was proud to learn of the exceptional accomplishments of the Cherokee High School Cheerleaders, who have generated considerable enthusiasm throughout their fine school, a strong cheerleading squad being the heart of any successful athletic program; and

WHEREAS, on March 20, 2005, the Cherokee High School Cheerleaders brought home to Hawkins County the 2005 Eastern Cheerleaders Association National Invitational Championship title as Varsity co-ed division winners from Williamsburg, Virginia; and

WHEREAS, their highly regarded coach, Kimberly Gatewood, has done a superb job of preparing the squad for the rigors of competition; and

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2005, the squad competed to qualify for the competition held the following day, and according to the coach, the team received first runner up, but two senior girls, Catie Murph and Captain Whitney Harris, motivated the team to strive for first place; and

WHEREAS, the next day, the Cherokee cheerleaders performed a flawless routine to win the Varsity co-ed division of the Invitational competition; and

WHEREAS, these young ladies' dedication to excellence has been instrumental in their rise to the top and fueled their championship performance in the Eastern Cheerleaders Association National Invitational competition; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we specially recognize this exemplary cheerleading squad; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate Coach Kimberly Gatewood and the 2004-2005 Cherokee High School Cheerleaders upon capturing the 2005 Eastern Cheerleaders Association National Invitational title in the Varsity co-ed division and wish them well in their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.